Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Bessie Stritecky was born on June 11, 1917, to Joseph and Hattie Stritecky at their home near Colome, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Bessie married Dave Pravecek and to this union five children were born: Marcine, Bonnie, David, Delores and Sandra; and,

Whereas, Bessie is well known for her cooking skills, especially her kolaches that melt in your mouth; and,

Whereas, Bessie will observe her 90th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 11, 2007, as

BESSIE PRAVECEK DAY

in South Dakota, and I join Bessie's friends and family in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-ninth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State